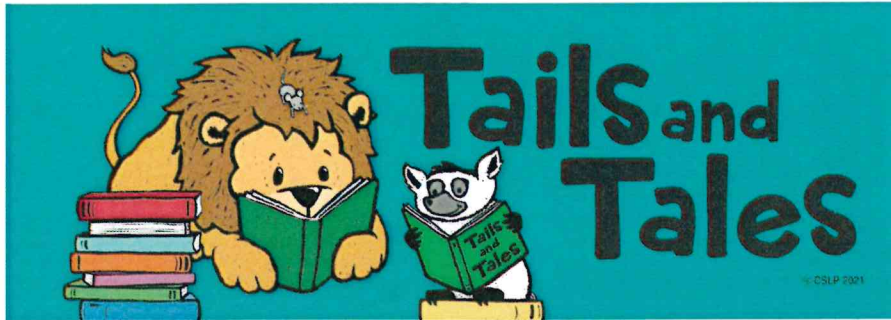


WELCOME TO MAYOR REGAN'S STAY BRIGHT SUMMER

Our Summer Learning Program Theme this year is Tails & Tales.



Your packet should include one of each of the following:

- ***This Welcome Sheet***
- ***How It Works***
- ***Reading Log***
- ***Reading Log Sticker Sheet***
- ***5x5 Sheet***
- ***Badge Sheet***
- ***Badge Instructions***
- ***Bookmark***
- ***Coloring Sheet or Puzzle***
- ***Calendar of Events***
- ***E-Reads Texas for Kids***
- ***Scholastic Summer Reading***
- ***Scholastic Home Base***
- ***Top Ten Resources for Summer Reading***



If you are interested in participating in any of these activities that require instructions, forms, etc., please ask at the Circulation Desk for assistance. They can also be found on the library website under the Summer Learning link if you would like to print them yourself.

MAYOR REGAN'S STAY BRIGHT SUMMER

SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAM

JUNE 4 – JULY 30, 2021



HOW IT WORKS

This year the Summer Learning Program will have three elements: a Reading Log, a 5x5 Sheet, and Badges to earn. There will be 30 opportunities to earn Scratch-Offs. Each Scratch-Off will reveal which prize level of four you may choose from: Seahorse, Turtle, Lion, or Whale. These Scratch-Offs will also earn you an opportunity to win door prizes at the End of Summer Grand Prize Drawing Event. You must be present to win door prizes.

In order to be eligible for a Grand Prize you must earn at least 15 Scratch-Offs. Each eligible participant will have their name included in the Grand Prize Drawing for their age group. You do not have to be present to win a Grand Prize.

All activities for all three elements must be completed and turned into the library by July 30th.

READING LOG

This year the Reading Log will be completed for each **day** read instead of **minutes** read. The Reading Log and a Sheet of Stickers to go with it are included in this packet. Each day that you read your number of minutes you will place a sticker on one of the circles on the Reading Log. Reading for 50* days will get you the Reading Badge. You can read as much as you like everyday, but you may only use one sticker per day.

Reading by Days

Age Groups**	Minutes per Day
Age 0 thru Kindergarten	15 minutes
1st Grade thru 3rd Grade	30 minutes
4th Grade thru 6th Grade	45 minutes
7th Grade thru Adults	60 minutes

****Age Group is determined by what grade you will be in when school starts in the Fall.**

***If you start after June 12 you will need to read more minutes per day to read the equivalent number of minutes to receive the badge. Staff will tell you how many minutes per day are needed. If you start after July 6 you will not be eligible for the Reading Badge, but can still participate for Scratch-Off tickets.**

Reading Incentives

Days Read	Prize
5	Coupon Packet
10	Scratch Off
15	Scratch Off
20	Scratch Off
25	Scratch Off
30	Scratch Off
40	Scratch Off
50	Reading Badge

5X5 SHEET

The 5x5 Sheet is a mixture of reading, STEAM activities, and participation in Summer Learning Events. This element of our Summer Learning Program has been split into two age groups:

Age 0 thru 5th Grade
6th Grade thru Adults

Reading a book to meet a requirement on this sheet can also be counted as time for your reading log. You may do as many or as few activities as you like, but you will earn a Scratch-Off ticket for every 5-in-a-Row you complete. If you complete all twelve 5-in-a-Rows it creates a BlackOut and you earn an additional Scratch-Off for that.

Instructions for some of the squares are listed on the side of the sheet. Additional instructions or other items to complete activities can be picked up at the circulation desk. If you have any questions library staff will be happy to assist you.

BADGES

There are 10 Badges available this summer. The Badge List has a variety of activities to complete. Some are harder than others and several will take a while to complete. However, each time you complete a badge you will also receive a Scratch-Off. If you earn all 10 badges you will earn an additional Scratch-Off as well.

A badge list and a list of instructions for each badge is included in your packet. There are some badges that will require you to pick up necessary items from circulation if you wish to attempt to complete them.



Tails and Tales

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Mayor Regan's Stay Bright Summer
Summer Learning 5 x 5
2021

Ages 0 through 5th grade

Read a Board Book with an Animal on the Cover	Attend a Program	STEM: Make a Marble Run	Draw an Animal	Read an Easy Reader Book with an Animal Character
STEM: Make Rock Candy	Read a Juvenile Non-Fiction Book about Animals	Post a comment about the library	Read a Book with a Color in the Title	Weird Animal Quiz
Ask staff for a book recommendation	STEM: Make a Stop Motion Video	Free Read	Create Book Cover	Read a Book with a Red Cover
Cast a Vote in Rate a Pet	Read a Book with Flowers on the Cover	Create an Illustration from a favorite book	Read a Book with a Person on the Cover	STEM: Make an Animal Mask
Read a Book that has Won an Award	Post a Book Recommendation	Read a Book with a Tail on the Cover	STEM: Write Animal Care Instructions	Read a Book with a Number in the Title

- Attend a Program - get your square stamped at the program
- Post a comment - either in the library (turn in at circulation and get your square stamped) or on the Library Social Media.
- Staff Recommendation - ask a staff member to recommend a book for you to read and get your square stamped
- Cast a Vote - turn in your voting slip and get your square stamped
- Post a Book Recommendation - either in the library (turn in at the circulation desk and get your square stamped) or on the Library Social Media and tell everyone about a book you enjoyed
- Create Illustration - create a picture by hand or digitally about your favorite book and turn it in at circulation and get your square stamped
- Draw an Animal - draw a picture of an animal and turn it in at circulation and get your square stamped
- Weird Animal Quiz - find it in the library, take the quiz, bring your answer sheet to circulation and get your square stamped
- Create a Book Cover - create a book cover, by hand or digitally, for a book you have read or one you would like to read, turn it in at circulation and get your square stamped
- STEM - there is a list of instructions for the STEM projects at circulation



Mayor Regan's Stay Bright Summer Summer Learning 5 x 5

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6th Grade through Adult

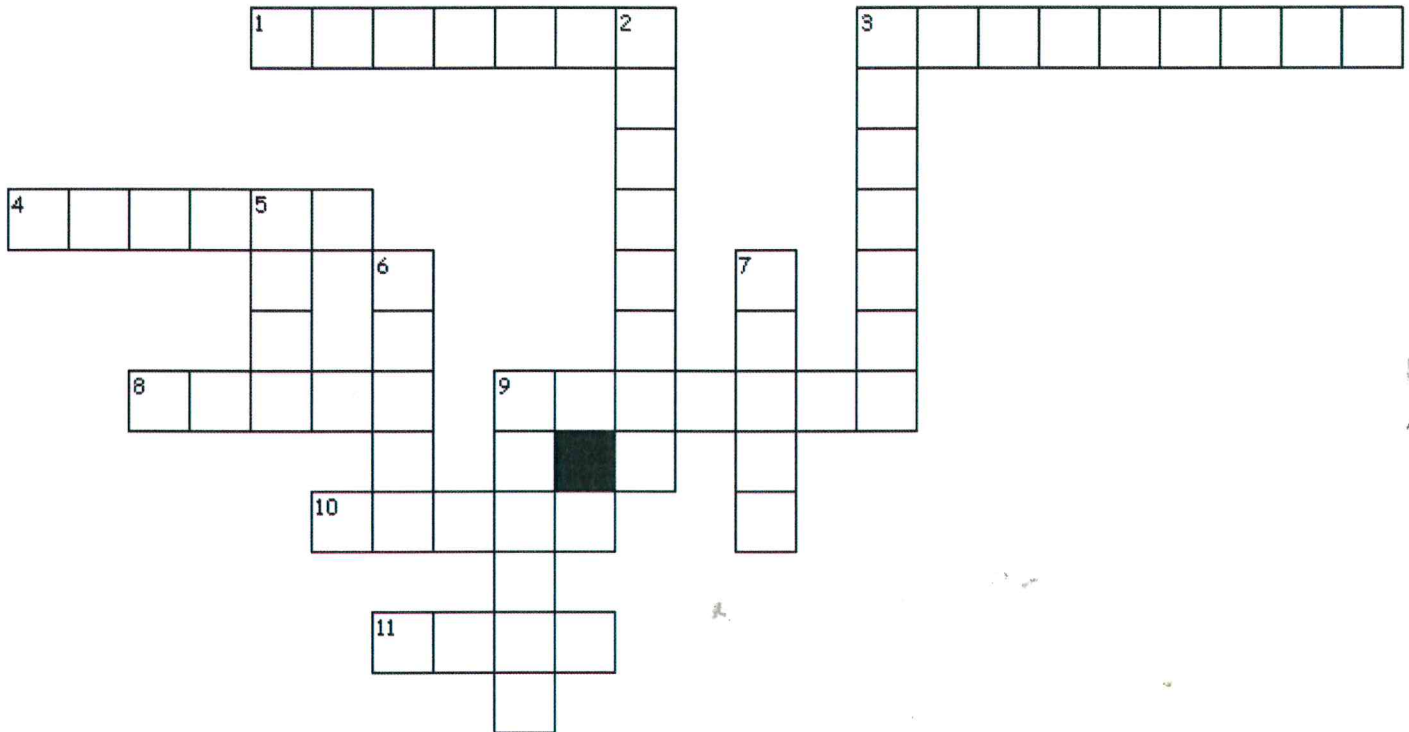
Read a Dystopian Novel	Attend a Program	STEM: Make a Marble Run	Draw an Animal	Read a Fantasy Novel
STEM: Make Rock Candy	Read a Non-Fiction Book about Animals	Post a comment about the library	Read a Mystery Novel	Weird Animal Quiz
Ask staff for a book recommendation	STEM: Make a Stop Motion Video	Free Read	Create a Book Cover	Read a Book with an Animal Character
Cast a Vote in Rate a Pet	Read a Young Adult Novel	Create an Illustration from a favorite book	Read a Graphic Novel	STEM: Make an Animal Mask
Read a Book that has Won an Award	Post a Book Recommendation	Read a Book with a Title that Spells Tails	STEM: Write Animal Care Instructions	Read a Book in a Series

- Attend a Program - get your square stamped at the program
- Post a comment - either in the library (turn in at the circulation desk and get your square stamped) or on the Library's Social Media
- Staff Recommendation - ask a staff member to recommend a book for you to read and get your square stamped
- Cast a Vote - turn in your voting slip and get your square stamped
- Post a Book Recommendation - either in the library (turn in at the circulation desk and get your square stamped) or on the Library's Social Media
- Media tell everyone about a book you enjoyed
- Create Illustration - create a picture by hand or digitally about your favorite book, turn it in at circulation and get your square stamped
- Draw an Animal - draw a picture of an animal and turn it in at circulation and get your square stamped
- Weird Animal Quiz - find it in the library, take the quiz, bring your answer sheet to circulation and get your square stamped
- Create a Book Cover - create a book cover for a book you have read or would like to read, by hand or digitally, and turn it in at circulation and get your square stamped
- Spells Tails - all the letters of the word TAILS must be in the title (in no particular order)
- STEM - there is a list of instructions for the STEM projects at circulation

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mayor Regan's Stay Bright Summer	Summer Learning Program	2021 Event Calendar	4 10:30 am Kick-Off w/ Wildlife on the Move & JJ the Clown & Mayor Regan
8 2:00 pm Air Dry Animals 6:00 pm Animal Zines	9 10:30 am Storytime 2:00 pm Movie Secret Life of Pets	10 6:00 pm Healthy Living	11 10:30 am Stuffed Animal Weekend Lock-In
15 2:00 pm Pet BFF Necklace 6:00 pm Resin Craft	16 10:30 am Storytime 2:00 pm Movie Arctic Dogs	17 6:00 pm Resin Craft	18 10:30 am Magik Theatre Presents Snow White
22 2:00 pm Bird Feeder 6:00 pm Bird Feeder	23 10:30 am Paw Patrol 2:00 pm Movie Spies in Disguise	24 6:00 pm Bird Feeder	25 10:30 am Texas State Parks & Wildlife w/David Owens
29 2:00 pm Kid's Gaming 6:00 pm Teen Gaming	30 10:30 am Storytime 2:00 pm Movie SCOOB!	July 1 6:00 pm Adult Gaming	2 10:30 am Brett Roberts with Bubbles
6 2:00 pm Water Balloon Battle 6:00 pm Animal Themed Decor	7 10:30 am Storytime 2:00 pm Finding Nemo Interactive Movie	8 6:00 pm Animal Themed Decor	9 10:30 am Indoor Miniature Golf
13 2:00 pm Hungry, Hungry Hippos 6:00 pm Monster Book of Monsters	14 10:30 am Storytime 2:00 pm Movie Sonic the Hedgehog	15 6:00 pm Alzheimer's	16 10:30 am James Wand Magician
20 2:00 pm Dog Chew Toys 6:00 pm Stray Cat Shelters	21 10:30 am Storytime 2:00 pm Animal Hero Donation Movie Max	22 6:00 pm Dog Chew Toys	23 10:30 am A Play on Swords
27 2:00 pm Wild Jeopardy 6:00 pm Wild Jeopardy	28 10:30 am Storytime 2:00 pm Movie Think Like a Dog	29 6:00 pm Wild Jeopardy	30 10:30 am Adam Hull
3 6:00 pm Teen Grand Prize Drawing	4 10:30 am Storytime	5 6:00 pm Adult Grand Prize Drawing	6 10:30 am Kid Grand Prize Drawing With Mayor Regan



Animal Names



Across











1. Animal with the longest neck
3. Can change colors
4. Slow and steady wins the race
8. Eats bamboo
9. Bird from Antarctica
10. Have black and white stripes
11. Amphibian that hops

Down

2. Has a long trunk
3. Lays eggs you can eat
5. King of the jungle
6. largest mammal
7. Quiet like a _____
9. Repeats what you say

Badge Instructions

For each badge you complete you will get to draw a scratch-off ticket. If you complete all 10 badges you will receive one extra scratch-off. Once you have received your prize for the scratch-off we will put it in the drawing for prizes at the end of the summer. Everything must be completed and turned in by July 30.

Badge	Badge Instructions
	Read 50 Days to receive this badge - Fill out your Reading Log by Reading for 50 Days or the equivalent amount of minutes each day if starting after June 12. Participants starting after July 6 are not eligible for this badge. Turn in your completed Reading Log at the Circulation Desk to receive your badge and get your badge list stamped.
	Complete the Animal Hero Scavenger Hunt 5 out of 8 weeks to receive this badge - Pick up the Animal Hero Scavenger Hunt Form at the Circulation Desk. Find the Animal Hero each week and collect the trading card. Bring your Form to the Circulation Desk and get your Form Stamped.
	Create an Animal Character to receive this badge. Pick up the Form for creating an Animal Character at the Circulation Desk. Once you have completed the form return it to the Circulation Desk to receive your badge and get your badge list stamped.
	Hide & Seek with Sneaky Snake - Find where Sneaky Snake is hiding for 5 out of 8 weeks to receive this badge. Pick up the Sneaky Snake Form at the Circulation Desk. Each week when you find Sneaky Snake pick up a laminated card and bring it to the Circulation Desk to get your Form Stamped.
	Write a Book Report to receive this badge - Pick up the Book Report Form for your age group at the Circulation Desk. Once you have completed the form return it to the Circulation Desk to receive your badge and get your badge list stamped.
	Complete STEAM Projects to receive this badge. Each age group has a different number of projects to complete. An adult must initial the squares of the projects completed. We would love to see what you created; either in person or in a picture.
	Write a Story to receive this badge - You may pick up a form at the Circulation Desk or write your story on plain paper. Once you have finished writing your story to the length required for your age group turn it in at the Circulation Desk to receive your badge and get your badge list stamped.
	Complete Library Scavenger Hunt to receive this badge - Pick up the Library Scavenger Hunt Form at the Circulation Desk. Once you have completed the form return it to the Circulation Desk to receive your badge and get your badge list stamped.
	Complete the Database Exploration Form to receive this badge - Pick up the Database Exploration Form at the Circulation Desk. Once you have completed the form return it to the Circulation Desk to receive your badge and get your badge list stamped.
	Complete the Zoo Animal Observation Form to receive this badge - Pick up the Zoo Animal Observation Form at the Circulation Desk. Once you have completed the form return it to the Circulation Desk to receive your badge and get your badge list stamped.



E-READ TEXAS FOR KIDS INCLUDES A COLLECTION OF MORE THAN 600 E-BOOKS FROM TEACHER CREATED MATERIALS, INCLUDING THE TIME FOR KIDS SERIES. THE MAJORITY OF THE TITLES ARE JUVENILE NONFICTION FOR GRADE LEVELS K-8, AND COVER SUBJECTS SUCH AS SCIENCE, MATHEMATICS, SPORTS, HISTORY, AND ART, IN BOTH ENGLISH AND SPANISH. THE SITE ALSO INCLUDES JUVENILE FICTION AND CRAFT AND HOBBY BOOKS FOR KIDS. THE WEBSITE IS GEOFENCED SO THAT ANY USER LOCATED IN TEXAS CAN ACCESS IT, WITH NO LOGIN NOR PASSWORD REQUIRED! AND THERE ARE NO SIMULTANEOUS USER RESTRICTIONS, SO THAT MEANS THERE ARE NO HOLDS AND NO WAITLISTS.

<https://e-readtxkids.biblioboard.com/home>

SCHOLASTIC SUMMER READING

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The Scholastic Summer Reading program offers kids an exciting, free, and safe summer reading experience, while helping to provide books to kids with limited or no access over the summer, keeping every child reading.

From April 26 through September 3, kids can visit the summer zone in Scholastic Home Base ([scholastic.com/homebase](https://www.scholastic.com/homebase)), a free digital destination which offers stories, characters, games, and a community of readers. Home Base is moderated for safety 24/7.

While in the Scholastic Home Base summer zone, readers can:

- Make a difference by starting and keeping **Reading Streaks™** to unlock a donation of **100,000 print books** from Scholastic to Save the Children for kids in rural America with limited or no access to books. Kids can read any book of their choice!
- **Read** select, full e-books and **watch** author read-alouds
- Meet their **favorite Scholastic characters** and engage with **bestselling authors** in special virtual events
- **Make friends** with fellow readers and **earn virtual rewards**
- Print **reading achievement reports** to share with their parents or educators

KEY DATES

- **Monday, April 26:** Scholastic Summer Reading officially begins; kids can start tracking Reading Streaks™ in the Scholastic Home Base summer zone and adults can access free resources at [scholastic.com/summer](https://www.scholastic.com/summer)
- **Friday, September 3:** The Scholastic Summer Reading program concludes

To learn more visit: [scholastic.com/summer](https://www.scholastic.com/summer)



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El programa de Scholastic Summer Reading (Programa de lectura de verano) ofrece a los niños y las niñas una experiencia de lectura de verano emocionante, gratuita y segura, a la vez que ayuda a facilitar libros a los niños y niñas que no tienen acceso o con acceso limitado durante el verano, manteniendo a todos los niños y las niñas leyendo.

Del 26 de abril al 3 de septiembre, los niños y las niñas pueden visitar la zona de verano Scholastic Home Base (scholastic.com/homebase), un lugar gratuito que ofrece cuentos, personajes, juegos y una comunidad de lectores. Home Base se modera las 24 horas por seguridad. kids can visit the summer zone in Scholastic Home Base (scholastic.com/homebase), a free digital destination which offers stories, characters, and games, in a safe community for readers!

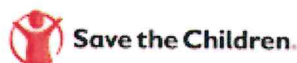
Mientras estén en la zona de verano de Scholastic Home Base, los lectores podrán:

- Marcar una diferencia al iniciar y mantener los períodos de lectura, **Reading Streaks™** para desbloquear una donación de **100,000 libros impresos** de Scholastic a Save the Children para niños y niñas de zonas rurales de Estados Unidos que no tienen acceso o con acceso limitado a libros.
- **Leer** libros electrónicos seleccionados y completos y **ver** lecturas en voz alta de autores uds
- **Conocer a sus personajes favoritos** de Scholastic y relacionarse con los **autores más vendidos** en eventos virtuales especiales
- **Entablar amistad** con otros lectores y obtener recompensas virtuales
- Imprimir **informes de rendimiento** de lectura para compartirlos con sus padres o educadores

FECHAS IMPORTANTES

- **Lunes 26 de abril:** Comienza oficialmente el programa Scholastic Summer Reading; los niños pueden empezar a hacer un seguimiento de los períodos de lectura, Reading Streaks™ en la zona de verano de Scholastic Home Base y los adultos pueden acceder a recursos gratuitos en scholastic.com/summer
- **Viernes 3 de septiembre:** Concluye el programa Scholastic Summer Reading

Para mayor información visitar: scholastic.com/summer



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WHAT'S IN HOME BASE?

Home Base is a fun, safe, and **completely free** online destination where kids can create their own avatar, interact with their favorite Scholastic characters and authors, play games, and read books.

From **April 26 to September 3**, kids will be able to visit a special Scholastic Summer Reading zone where they can start or keep their reading streaks, earn special rewards, and more. Home Base is **moderated moderated for safety 24/7**.

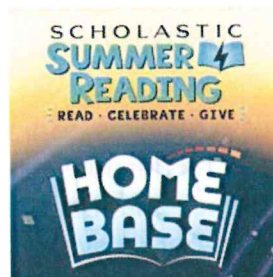
Home Base is available via the web online, in downloadable version for Mac and PC, and as an app for both Apple and Android devices.

HOW DO READERS CREATE AN ACCOUNT FOR/LOG IN TO HOME BASE?

1. Go to scholastic.com/homebase or download "Home Base by Scholastic" from the App Store or Google Play.
2. Click the PLAY NOW button
3. Click PLAY
4. On this page, kids can sign in with an existing Scholastic Kids site account, or create a new one
 - A. If they sign in, they'll be taken directly to Home Base
 - B. To create a new account: Click the REGISTER NOW button
5. Fill out Step 1 to create a username, then click NEXT
6. Enter an email address, create a password, then click REGISTER
7. They'll get a confirmation email at the email address they provided, and they will be taken to Home Base!

SCAN THE IMAGE TO GET AN EXCLUSIVE REWARD! (MOBILE APP ONLY)

Starting in April, readers can scan the image to the right after they've created an account to get an exclusive Summer Reading reward for their avatar: a Reading Streak Hoodie!



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¿QUÉ HAY EN HOME BASE?

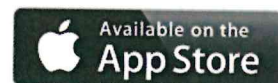
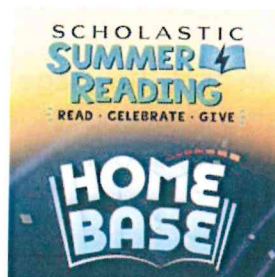
Home Base es en línea un destino divertido, seguro y completamente gratuito donde los niños pueden crear su propio avatar, interactuar con sus personajes y autores favoritos de Scholastic, jugar y leer libros. Desde el **26 de Abril hasta el 5 de Septiembre**, los niños podrán visitar una zona especial donde pueden comenzar o mantener sus períodos de lectura, ganar recompensas especiales y más. *Home Base* es moderado las 24 horas. *Home Base* está disponible a través de la web en línea para Mac y PC y como una aplicación para Apple y Android.

¿CÓMO CREAN LOS LECTORES Y LECTORAS UNA CUENTA PARA INICIAR SESIÓN EN HOME BASE?

1. Ir a scholastic.com/homebase o descargue "Home Base by Scholastic" de la tienda App Store o Google Play.
2. Hacer clic en el botón JUGAR AHORA (PLAY NOW)
3. Hacer clic en Click PLAY
4. En esta página, los niños y las niñas pueden iniciar sesión con una cuenta existente de Scholastic Kids o crear una nueva cuenta
 - A. Si inician sesión, serán llevados directamente a Home Base
 - B. Para crear una nueva cuenta: haga clic en el botón REGISTRARSE AHORA (REGISTER NOW)
5. Completar el Paso 1 para crear un nombre de usuario, luego hacer clic en SIGUIENTE (NEXT)
6. Ingresar una dirección de correo electrónico, crear una contraseña, luego clic en REGISTRARSE (REGISTER)
7. ¡Recibirán un correo electrónico confirmando la dirección de correo electrónico que proporcionaron, y serán llevados a Home Base!

¡ESCANEAR LA IMAGEN PARA OBTENER UNA RECOMPENSA EXCLUSIVA! (SOLO EN LA APLICACIÓN MÓVIL)

A partir de abril, los lectores o lectoras podrán escanear la imagen a la derecha después de haber creado una cuenta para obtener una recompensa exclusiva de Summer Reading por su avatar: ¡una sudadera con capucha de Reading Streak!



Top 10 Resources on Summer Reading

By: **Reading Rockets**

The research is clear that children who don't read during the summer can lose up to three months of reading progress and that loss has a cumulative, long-term effect. The following resources and articles provide information about summer reading and summer learning loss. Plus you'll discover great activities to encourage kids to learn, read, and have fun in the summer sun. Use this link to access these websites <https://www.readingrockets.org/article/top-10-resources-summer-reading>.

1. **Get Ready for Summer! Ideas for Teachers to Share with Families**

A "virtual beach bag" of activities for teachers to help families get ready for summer and to launch students to fun, enriching summertime experiences.

2. **2012 Big Summer Read Booklists**

It's summertime! What a great time to slow down or cool off with a good book. It's fun to share books with a child, a class, and your family. A range of stories for kids 0–9 years old — fiction and nonfiction — are suggested here to get you started.

3. **Book Swap for Kids**

Libraries and bookstores are great options for building a home library. Another great resource for books is a book swap. Consider organizing one for your neighborhood or block. It can be a simple afternoon undertaking, or with more time and effort, a fun event that will become an annual tradition! Below are some suggestions for organizing a book swap for kids.

4. **Summer Learning, Side-by-Side**

Children are full of questions about the world around them. Summer is the perfect time to tap into your child's interests and start a journey of discovery together.

5. **Finding a Great Summer Program: A Checklist for Parents**

Early and sustained summer learning opportunities lead to higher graduation rates, better preparation for college, and positive effects on children's self-esteem, confidence, and motivation. High-quality summer programs keep students engaged in learning, teach them new skills, allow them to develop previously unseen talents, and foster creativity and innovation.

6. **Use Summer Fun to Build Background Knowledge**

You don't need to have a book in hand to help your child become a better reader. Interesting experiences give kids a broader framework for new information they might encounter in books. When kids have lots of experiences to draw on, they have a better chance of making a connection with what they read!

7. **Strategies for Summer Reading for Children with Dyslexia**

Read a dozen strategies to help your children keep the academic skills they learned last year. Support them as they read. Give them material that is motivating — and some of it should be easy. Help them enjoy books and feel pleasure — not pressure — from reading. The summer should be a relaxed time where their love of learning can flower.

8. **Summer Reading and Fluency: Tips for Parents from Reading Rockets**

You've got the reading lists. You've got the books. But what else can you do to make your children better readers this summer?

9. **Day Trips for Book Lovers**











Not everyone lives near Chincoteague Island off the Maryland and Virginia coastline (Misty of Chincoteague) or has a chance to visit the Laura Ingalls Wilder house museum in the Ozarks (Little House on the Prairie). But books can inspire some exciting day trips.

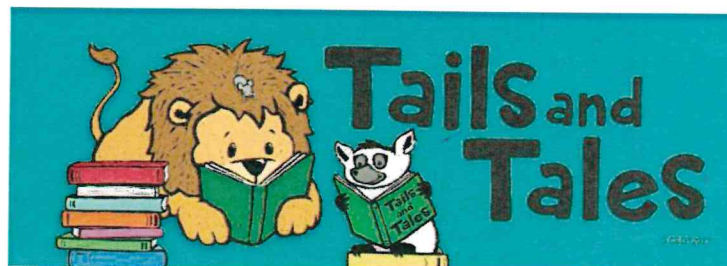
10. **10 Weeks of Summer Reading Adventures for You and Your Kids**

It's not hard to help your children keep their interest in reading and learning during the summer break. Here are ten weeks of suggestions to encourage your children to open books even after school doors close. *Reading Rockets (2012)*

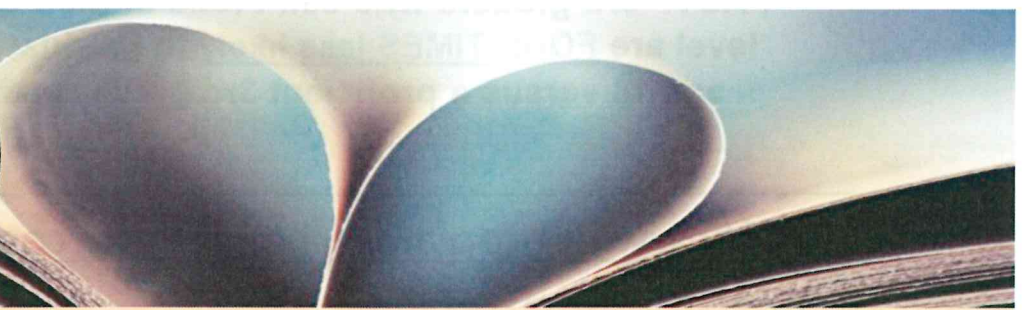
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Badge List

Badge	Badge Requirements	Stamp
	Read 50 Days	
	Animal Hero Scavenger Hunt	
	Create an Animal Character	
	Hide & Seek with Sneaky Snake	
	Write a Book Report	
	STEAM Projects	
	Write a Story	
	Library Scavenger Hunt	
	Database Exploration	
	Zoo Animal Observation	



Books are Powerful



MAYOR REGAN'S STAY BRIGHT SUMMER LEARNING CLUB

DEAR FAMILIES AND PARENTS,

This last year and a half has been very difficult for library staff in a unique way in that we were unable to serve you as we most enjoy seeing you in the library! This caused me personally a belly full of grief and heart ache to see service dollars stretched to the limit to maintain staffing so it is with enormous pleasure I tell you that the library is back! We are open for business and delighted to offer a wonderful Summer Learning Club with our incredibly devoted Mayor Regan presiding over our proceedings. I know Mayor Regan's desire to see this community succeed and her commitment to education. I know she understands just how imperative it is for our kids to embark on educational enterprises, especially those that help children stay engaged in their reading abilities. Summer slide is very real folks and an abundance of data exists now that explains the importance of keeping kids focused while they enjoy their summer vacation.

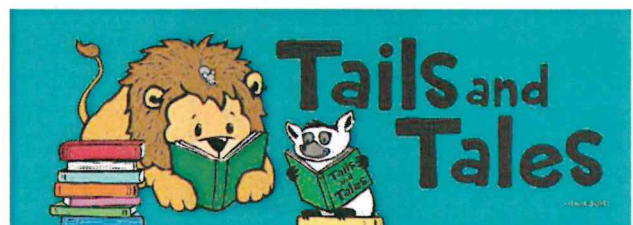
How do we assist our kids and allow them to enjoy summer? It is crucial that you let your child pick their book. While you can lightly assist in providing a variety of materials that demonstrate their Lexile scale knowledge for them to choose from, let them ultimately choose what they want for their enjoyment. The main objective of Summer Reading is to keep the child engaged in the love of reading and build confidence. When the child bonds with books, the desire to learn will follow. Also, please make time to let your child demonstrate proficiency reading to you and praise these efforts and the time they expend on this activity. The time you spend engaged in Summer Reading and the time you encourage your child to spend demonstrate to your child that reading is fun and that it is a natural part of life in achieving levels of fulfillment in life. Remember, a child's access to books has a bigger impact on their reading and overall education than any income category alone can impact and predict future behavior.

The staff has taken great pride in preparing a wonderful experience for all of you and our sponsors are always your biggest supporters so please thank them for their participation investing in your future. I have included a few resources on the back of this page for you to better understand the significance of your actions, to provide more basic framework to suit your child and to let you know we are aware. We too are heavily invested in each of your children.

Again, we are so happy to once again be able to serve up a fantastic summer experience. Without further delay, we bring you this year's animal theme of "Tales and Tails"!

SEE YOU AT THE LIBRARY!

BDPL LIBRARY MANAGER,
LOUANNE NOEL



FACT: 3rd graders who can't read at their grade level are FOUR TIMES less likely to graduate by age 18 versus a proficient 3rd grade reader

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